

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:502

ANSWERED ON:21.11.2002

FACILITIES TO SENIOR CITIZENS SPORTS PERSONS HANDICAPPED PERSONS

JASWANT SINGH YADAV

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to take an effective step to provide more railway facilities to senior citizens, sports persons, handicapped persons and freedom fighters etc;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS(SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a) to (c): Facilities like concession in fares for senior citizens, sports persons and handicapped persons, and complementary card passes to freedom fighters, are already available and it is not proposed to enlarge their scope due to financial constraints. Facilities like wheel chairs, lower berths, etc. are also available for concerned category of persons. Provision of additional facilities is a continuous process, which depends upon the feasibility and resources.